

Connecticut Coalition for Sustainable Materials Management Meeting

Meeting Minutes

November 23, 2020 Increase Recycling Working Group Meeting

Present: See Attachment A

Next meeting: December 7, 2020, 1:00pm

Prepared by: Elizabeth Moore, DEEP

I. Call to Order and Announcements

Meeting began at 1:00pm.

Co-chairs Laura Francis, First Selectman, Town of Durham and Ben Florsheim, Mayor, City of Middletown provided welcoming remarks, introductions, housekeeping rules and an overview of the Increase Recycling Working Group as part of the CCSMM initiative process.

II. Committee Reports

The co-chairs provided an update and overview of topics discussed at the mid-point full CCSMM meeting on November 16, 2020.

A panel composed of the following representatives presented on opportunities to increase recycling and reuse efforts:

Miriam Gordon, Policy Director, UPSTREAM presented on UPSTREAM's Government Reuse Forum

Jonathan Black, Senior Policy Advisor, Senator Udall's Office presented on the Break Free from Plastic Pollution Act

Gabrielle Frigon, Assistant Director, Waste Engineering and Enforcement Division presented on the Municipal Transfer Station General Permit

III. Roundtable

There was opportunity for Q&A of the panelists. Members were interested in redesign options for common products, restaurant accessories and reuse options available for takeout. PFAS considerations were also noted. Other questions involved the effectiveness of policies on plastic pollution thus far, extended producer responsibility for plastics as well as how municipalities can support the federal Break Free from Plastic Pollution Act. Other discussion included opportunities for increased processing for recycling and markets for plastic materials.

Following the presentation on the Municipal Transfer Station General Permit, members discussed regional and shared facility options, materials accepted under the permit, inspections, permit requirements

and location options for satellite sites. Members also asked about food waste processing options for municipalities.

Other discussion included next steps, including upcoming meeting dates, an overview of the intent of the menu of options and a reiteration of a request for members to submit additional recycling and reuse topics to be included in the final report.

IV. Public Comment

Members of the public were asked to use the “chat” feature to indicate if they wanted to make a comment or send comments to DEEP.RecyclingProgram@ct.gov.

Krishna Winston, Middletown asked about recovering from the COVID-related proliferation of disposable PPE and medical devices as well as how often inspections of Municipal Transfer Stations occur and what’s likely to result in a Notice of Violation.

V. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:55pm

Attachment A.

Attended	User Name (Original Name)			
Yes	Dave Aldridge - SCRRRA (DaveAldridge)			
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Yes	PaulAresta			
Yes	Paul Aresta - CT CEQ (PaulAresta)			
Yes	Krishna Winston - Middletown Resource Recycling Advisory Comm (KrishnaWinston)			
Yes	Pamela Roach - SCRCOG (PamelaRoach)			
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Yes	BrianBartram			
Yes	Sherill Baldwin - DEEP (Sherill Baldwin)			
Yes	Diane Lauricella - Norwalk Zero Waste Coalition (DianeLauricella)			
Yes	JamesWoulfe			
Yes	Yvonne Bolton - DEEP (Yvonne Bolton)			

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Yes	Terri Christenson - Harwinton (TERRICHRISTENSON)			
Yes	Kimberly Chatey - East Granby (KimberlyChatey)			
Yes	Raymond Drew-Torrington (RaymondDrew)			
Yes	Raymond Drew - Torrington (RaymondDrew)			
Yes	Laura Francis - Durham (Laura Frances)			
Yes	Kim O'Rourke-Middletown (KimO'Rourke)			
Yes	Ben Florsheim - Middletown (Ben Florsheim)			
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Yes	Kristin Battistoni - Haddam (Kristinbattistoni)			
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Yes	Peter Brunelli - DEEP (PeterBrunelli)			
Yes	Scott Kalb - Greenwich Waste Management Committee (ScottKalb)			
Yes	Elly Moore - DEEP (Elizabeth Moore)			
Yes	Gabrielle Frigon - DEEP (Gabrielle Frigon)			

Yes	Jen Heaton-Jones - HRRRA (Jen Heaton-Jones)			
Yes	KarenWeeks			
Yes	SallyDavies			
Yes	Dominic DelVecchio - Town of Durham/Middlefield TS (DominicDelVecchio)			
Yes	Miriam Gordon - SPEAKER (Miriam Gordon)			
Yes	James Albis - DEEP (James Albis)			
Yes	BobBessel			
Yes	Virginia Walton - Mansfield (VirginiaWalton)			
Yes	SarandaAlka			
Yes	JulieDesChamps			
Yes	Julie DesChamps - Greenwich Sustainability Committee (JulieDesChamps)			
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Yes	Todd Fontanella - WestCOG (ToddFontanella)			
Yes	Jonathan Black w/ U.S. Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM) (Jonathan Black)			
Yes	Ed Mone - Thomaston (EdMone)			
Yes	Janice Ehle/Meyer - RiverCOG (JaniceEhle/Meyer)			

Yes	Betsy Gara - COST (BetsyGara)			
Yes	Carolyn Bayne - Darien Advisory Committee on Sustainability (CarolynBayne)			
Yes	robert isner			
Yes	Robert Isner - DEEP (robert isner)			
Yes	Robert Isner - DEEP (Robert Isner)			
Yes	Caren Harder - DEEP (CarenHarder)			
Yes	Linda Orr - Torrington (LindaOrr)			
Yes	Katherine Bruns - West Hartford (KatherineBruns)			
Attendee Details				
Attended	User Name (Original Name)	City	State/Province	Organization
Yes	Dave Aldridge	Gales Ferry	CT	SCRRRA
Yes	Paul Aresta	Hartford	CT	CEQ
Yes	Krishna Winston	Middletown	CT	Resource Recycling Advisory Commission
Yes	Pamela Roach	North Haven	CT	SCRCOG
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Yes	Brian Bartram - Salisbury/Sharon TS (Brian Bartram)	Salisbury/Sharon	CT	Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station
Yes	Jay Aronson	Bloomfield	CT	Consensus Government Consulting
Yes	Ashley Zane	Connecticut	CT	CBIA
Yes	Diane Lauricella	Norwalk	CT	Norwalk Zero Waste Coalition
Yes	Lisa Fecke	New Britain	CT	Gaffney, Bennett
Yes	James Woulfe	Farmington	CT	The Connecticut Group, LLC
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Yes	TERRI CHRISTENSON -	Harwinton	CT	Town of Harwinton

	Harwinton (TERRI CHRISTENSON)			
Yes	Hillary Glass	Hartford	CT	RSG
Yes	Kimberly Chatey	East Granby	CT	Town of Easr Gtanby
Yes	Raymond Drew	Torrington	CT	City of Torrington
Yes	Kim O'Rourke	Middletown	CT	City of Middletown CT
Yes	Kristin battistoni	Haddam	CT	Year
Yes	Luis de la Parte	Rocky Hill	CT	SACYR ENVIRONMENT
Yes	Luis de la Parte			
Yes	Sarah Bloomquist	Brooklyn	NY	TOMRA
Yes	Peter Brunelli	Hartford	CT	CT Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP)
Yes	Eric Fredericksen	Enfield	CT	USA Hauling & recycling
Yes	Michael Bzdyra	Hartford	CT	Murtha cullina LLP
Yes	Brian Sullivan	Hartford	CT	Przybysz + Associates Government Affairs
Yes	Scott Kalb	Greenwich	CT	First Selectman's Waste Management Committee
Yes	kevin spinella	new britain	CT	GBA
Yes	Susan Weisselberg	New Haven	CT	N/A
Yes	Evan Dantos	Hartford	CT	Robinson+Cole
Yes	Karen Weeks	Hartford	CT	The Kowalski Group, LLC
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Yes	Sally Davies - Greenwich Recycling Advisory Board (Sally Davies)	Greenwich	CT	Greenwich Recycling Advisory Board
Yes	Dominic DelVecchio	DURHAM	CT	Town of Durham/Middlefield Transfer Station
Yes	Bob Bessel - Canton (Bob Bessel)	Canton	CT	Town of Canton, CT
Yes	John Pizzimenti	Enfield	CT	Murphy Road Recycling LLC
Yes	Virginia Walton	Storrs	CT	Town of Mansfield
Yes	Saranda Alka - CTLCV (Saranda Alka)	Wolcott	CT	CTLCV
Yes	Julie DesChamps	Greenwich	CT	Greenwich Sustainability Committee
Yes	Todd Fontanella	Sandy Hook	CT	Western Connecticut Council of Governments
Yes	Mike Noel	Shelton	CT	TOMRA - Shelton, CT
Yes	Ed Mone	Thomaston	CT	Town of

Yes	Alex Rodriguez	Hartford	CT	CT League of Conservation Voters
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Yes	Janice Ehle/Meyer	Essex	CT	RiverCOG
Yes	Betsy Gara	West Hartford	CT	COST
Yes	Carolyn Bayne	Darien	CT	Darien Advisory Committee on Sustainability
Yes	Julie Cammarata	New London	CT	Cga
Yes	Liz Connelly	Hartford	CT	Capitol Consulting LLC
Yes	Linda Kowalski	Hartford	CT	The Kowalski Group, LLC
Yes	April Regan	Enfield	CT	USA Hauling & Recycling
Yes	Caren Harder	Htfd	CT	DEEP
Yes	Linda Orr	Torrington	CT	City of Torrington
Yes	Katherine Bruns	West Hartford	CT	Department of Public Works